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Mr. Roger Smith Resource Manager Engineering and Housing Department of the Army Fort Dix, NJ 08640

Dear Roger:

On June 15, 2006, I conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Fort Dix. Approximately 122.7 acres of light defoliation (30-50%) and 260.5 acres of heavy defoliation (51-100%) were detected at Fort Dix, and an additional 136.4 acres of heavy defoliation were detected off-site near the town of Browns Mills (Figure 1). I have also included, for your information, Figure 2, which shows the results of the aerial detection survey conducted at the nearby Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Center.

If you anticipate requesting financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2007, please contact Brad Onken (304) 285-1546 or me (304) 285-1555 before August 25, 2006.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey or survey letter.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosures** 

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Heavy Defoliation (51-100%) 260.5 acres on site 136.4 acres off site Light Defoliation (30-50%) 122.7 acres on site Fort Dix Boundary

Figure 1.-- Results of the aerial detection survey conducted at Fort Dix on June 15, 2006.

Figure 2.—Results of the aerial detection survey conducted at Lakehurst NAS on June 15, 2006.

